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The Power of Infinite Intelligence

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## Message from H.O.D

Department of Master of Computer Applications is committed to excellence in teaching, and inculcating a sense of pride and confidence in our students. The objective is to empower our students with latest technical knowledge and skills by providing them with the best teaching faculty, lab facilities and excellent research and development environment.

The motivation is not just to nurture their technical skills but to provide professional grooming and guidance so that our students come-up as thorough professionals and inspiring individuals. Thanks to the efforts of our management, faculty and our students, we continue to play a leading role in our discipline.



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### Vision of the Department

⇒ Towards leading the way in area of Computer Application to train and nurture the Students to become successful Technocrats thus benefiting the Society and Nation.

### Mission of the Department

⇒ To provide opportunities to Students so that they understand the Theoretical Principles and apply them.

⇒ To enable the Students to continually master the evolving Tools, Techniques, Trends in Technology and Management and effectively put them in practice in a cost effective manner.

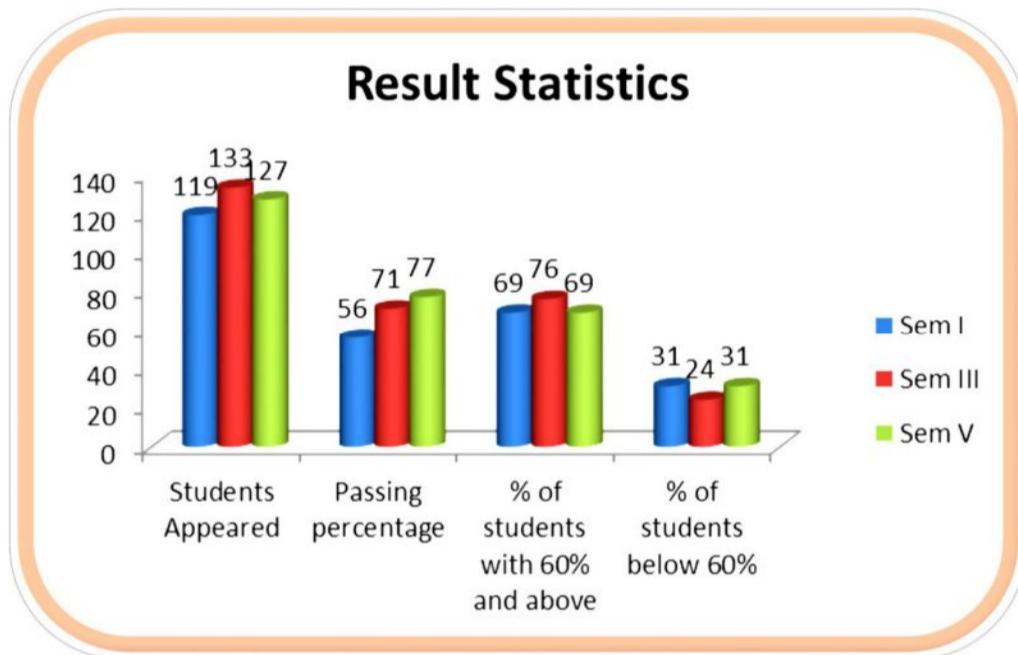
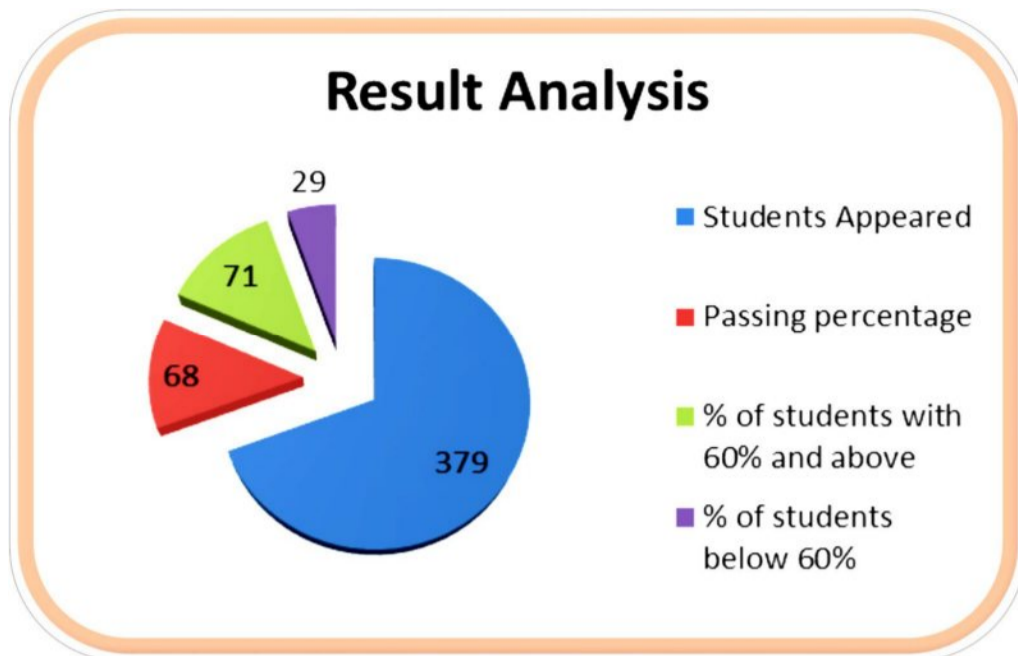
## Editorial

It is with great pleasure that we bring you the first issue of Anantha, the half yearly newsletter of department of MCA. The name of our newsletter - Anantha – signifies infinite intelligence, and it very aptly sums up the prospects of our department. With Anantha, we intend to showcase the activities and achievements of the MCA department, which includes faculty possessing vivid intelligence and students who strive for perfection. The infinity symbol in our logo stands for the stupendous wisdom that our souls are ignited with and the passion for learning that is imbued in our beings. The last semester was lucrative for the department with the students snagging a lot of prizes in college events, the reports of which are compiled in this issue. It also features visits by eminent personalities from the industry and other reputed educational institutions. This newsletter also throws light on the vision and mission of department of MCA. The intent of Anantha is to disseminate information about our department and we hope that the readers find the issues informative and useful. We are thankful to the faculty and students of MCA Department for their valuable inputs, and we welcome suggestions and feedback that will help us improve further.



## Academic Excellence

Results of University Examination conducted in December 2015



### TOPPERS

- ∞ SEMESTER 1:
  - NAVEEN LAMBA - 9.38
  - DHANASHRI PHATAK - 9.23
  - MITALI NALAWADE - 9.08
- ∞ SEMESTER 3:
  - BHARATI NADAR - 9.86
  - VINAYA POOJARI - 9.43
  - ALI AHMED - 9.29
- ∞ SEMESTER 5:
  - NEHA KUMARI - 9.57
  - MAMTA SHETTIGAR - 9.29
  - DIKSHA KADAM - 9.21

## Placements

- ◆ In the year 2015-16 MCA students had an enviable record in placement. More than **102%** jobs were offered and **87%** of eligible students were placed.
- ◆ Over 25 leading companies including **General Mills, Nomura, Accenture, Cap Gemini, L&T** visited us for campus placement and almost all eligible students were placed through campus.



**NOMURA**



**TATA  
CONSULTANCY  
SERVICES**

**Morgan Stanley**



**accenture**

**Infosys**

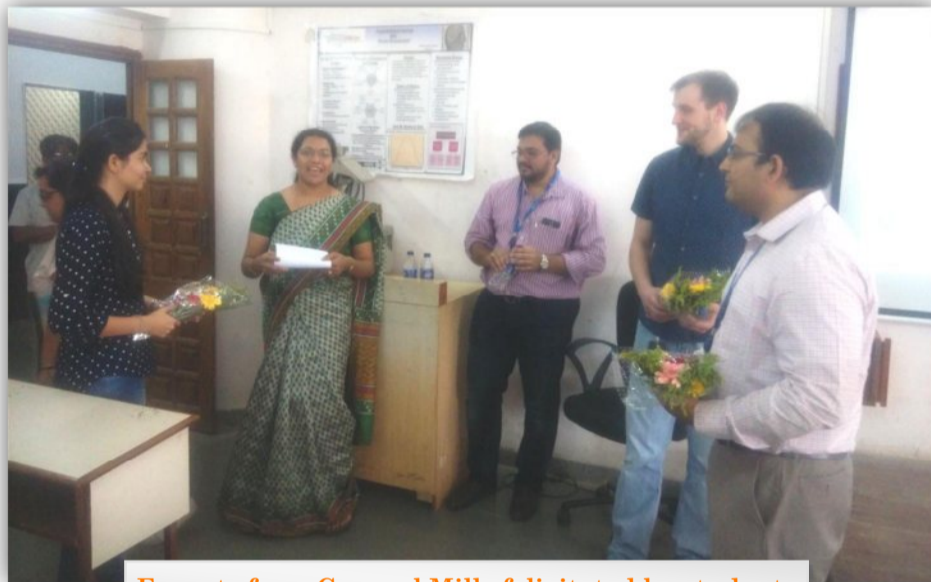
**J.P.Morgan**

- ∞ No of Students Placed: 70
- ∞ Highest package offered: 8.4 lakhs per annum
- ∞ Average package 5.7 lakhs per annum
- ∞ More than one Job Offer: 10 students



## Guest Lectures

- ◆ 18<sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 - Dr. Soumya Maity, from EMC Square, Bangalore, conducted an expert lecture on *“Verification and Validation of Simulation in Software Industry”* for MCA 2<sup>nd</sup> year Students.
- ◆ 18<sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 - Dr. Soumya Maity, from EMC Square, Bangalore, conducted a lecture on *“Evolution of Operating System”* for MCA 1<sup>st</sup> year Students.
- ◆ 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 2016 - Dr. Anirudh Joshi from IIT Bombay conducted a special lecture on *“Design for Emergent Users”* for MCA 2<sup>nd</sup> year Students.
- ◆ 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 2016 - Mr. Pruthiv Mehta from General Mills conducted an expert lecture on *“Network Proxying and Caching”* for MCA 1<sup>st</sup> year students.
- ◆ 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr 2016 - Ms. Deepika Panwar from Majesco Limited conducted a hands on session on the topic *“EJB & Struts”* for MCA 2<sup>nd</sup> year Students.
- ◆ 16<sup>th</sup> Apr 2016 - Ms. Baldeep Kaur Sahote from NOMURA delivered a talk on *“Advanced DWH concept: Change Data Capture, Slowly Changing Dimensions”* for MCA 2<sup>nd</sup> year Students.



Experts from General Mills felicitated by students



Expert delivering lecture

## Department Activities

### Student Activities

#### SoRT Activities

- ◆ Visit to Joanna E Buthello School, Malad - 31<sup>st</sup> Jan, 2016
- ◆ A Campaign - Walk against Cancer - 4<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2016
- ◆ Blood Donation Camp - 18<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2016



Activities at Joanna E Buthello School, Malad



Blood Donation Camp at VESIT Campus



## Technology Day

VESIT in association with TCS celebrated its technology day on 19<sup>th</sup> Mar 2016. Theme for technology day was **“ICT for Societal Impact 2016 Challenge”**. The events were judged by **Mr. Dineshkumar Singh, Group Leader mKrishi, TCS** and **Mr. Lalit Rane, Project Lead, TCS**. MCA students won accolades for department in all events.



### Panel Discussion

**“Do you think Indian Government is using ICT to bring societal changes?”**

I	Neha Menon - MCA 1A
II	Snehal Johny - MCA 2A
III	Ritu Ramesh - MCA 2A
Consolation	Bharati Nadar - MCA 2A
Consolation	Sandesh Nambiar - MCA 1A

### Organizing Committee from MCA

Mrs. Geocey Shejy
Mrs. Rohini Temkar
Mr. Dashrath Mane
Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli
Mrs. Vaishali Gatty
Mrs. Archana C.

### App Development

I	II	III
<b>OMEGA TEAM</b> <b>e-GOVERNANCE</b>	<b>MAD TEAM</b> <b>Help Me (Disaster Mgmt.)</b>	<b>TEAM MVS</b> <b>Emergency Service</b>
Khan Ahmed Ali - MCA 2A	Nihaal Mehta - MCA 2A	Melwyn Castelino - MCA 1B
M Prabhanath Nair - MCA 2A	Sufiyan Ansari - MCA 2A	Vaibhav Kulkarni - MCA 1B
Sudarshan Shinde - MCA 2A	Mandar Deshpande - MCA 2A	Shubham Mahajan - MCA 1B

### Technical Paper Presentation

Consolation	Consolation
<b>Smart Service Delivery</b>	<b>4P Model of Differently Abled Using Inclusion Model</b>
Snehal Johny - MCA 2A	Hitesh Patil - MCA 2A
Bharati Nadar - MCA 2A	Yashoda Bhat - MCA 2A
Prachi Kunte - MCA 2A	Suraj Sreedharan - MCA 2A



## SPICE

**SPICE** stands for **Students Personality Intellect Creativity Enhancement** program. It consists of Aptitude test, Coding contest and Aptitude problem solving lectures by experts. This program is conducted to support the placement of **MCA** students.

- ◆ **Coding contest** was based on the basics from C, C++ and PHP to enhance the technical skills and time management quality of the students. Melwyn M Castelino from MCA-1B was winner of the Coding contest.
- ◆ **Aptitude Tests** are conducted weekly for Second Year students. Winner - Raashid Khan from MCA-2A
- ◆ **Alumni conducted session** on 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2016 on the topics - aptitude test, resume writing and interview preparation.
- ◆ **Aptitude and Problem Solving sessions** were conducted by Bharati Nadar, Sudarshan Shinde, Prateek Bisht and Varun Ajmera from MCA Second year.



Aptitude Tests



Group Discussion



Aptitude & Problem Solving Sessions



Coding Contest - Preliminary Round

## Winter School Programme

- ◆ Resource person from TCS conducted session on **“ERP/SAP”** and **“Enterprise Architecture”** for MCA, Computer Engineering and Information Technology students under winter school on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2016.
- ◆ Sessions on **“Open Source Tools”** were also conducted by General Mills for MCA, Computer Engineering and Information Technology students under winter school on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2016.



## Farewell 2016

*Auf Wiedersehen: Until We See Again*

-Neha Menon (MCA-2A)

*“Don’t be dismayed at goodbyes. A farewell is necessary before you can meet again. And meeting again, after moments or lifetimes, is certain for those who are friends.”*

- Richard Bach

The third year students of MCA, batch of 2016, had the time of their day on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April 2016. The student council members of the MCA department had organized a farewell for their seniors, one they were sure their friends won't forget for a long time, their contribution to the everlasting memories the seniors made at VESIT.

The event kick started with the new interns coming in wearing their best accouterment and their faces bright with splitting smiles, eager to catch up with friends they missed, with whom they spent the last three years. The rest as, they say, is history. The whole room reverberated with the cheerful students having a last stint as children before they step into the real world with real responsibilities. There were lots of games that were organized with the intention of making the event livelier. There was a lot of mingling among the senior and their juniors. There were constant smiles on the invitees which made the event that much special.

All was fun and games till the energy reserves of the people started running on low. But the organizers would not let something as small as the human exhaustion come between them and the perfect farewell they wanted. Delicacies were placed for the seniors to dig in. The event was graced with the presence of Mrs. Nishi Tiku, the Head of the MCA Department, Mr. Sunny Nahar and Mrs. Vaishali Gatty. This was followed by a speech by Prateek Bisht, the cultural deputy.

It was poignant having to watch friends part, promising each other to meet every once in a while. Each had a distinctly sad yet hopeful look on their face because they knew that every ending is a starting point for something new. They had come to the institute wide-eyed, slightly wet behind the ears but they leave as individuals any institution will be proud to have. They were on their way to reach new heights, new successes and to raise the name of their alma mater even higher.



## Faculty Achievements

### Courses Conducted

- ◆ *“Big Data Analytics”* (ISTE Approved) 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2016
  - ⇒ Organizing committee - Mrs. Nishi Tiku and Mr. Ameya Parkar
  - ⇒ Session on Topic *“HDFS, Advanced Map reduce, and Hadoop Cluster Formation”* by Mrs. Sangeeta Oswal
- ◆ *“Research Paper Publication and Patent Search”* in collaboration with Mumbai University on Feb 2016 at SPIT, Andheri
  - ⇒ Co-convener - Mrs. Nishi Tiku
  - ⇒ Organizing committee - Mrs. Indira Bhattachariya
  - ⇒ Attended by- Mr. Ameya Parkar, Mr. Ramesh Solanki, Mr. Sunny Nahar
- ◆ *“Introduction to Database”* on 16<sup>th</sup> Mar, 2016 at VESIT by Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli for EXTC/TE Students.
- ◆ *Technology Day (ICT for Social Impact)* on 19<sup>th</sup> Mar, 2016 at VESIT.
- ◆ *“Mendeley Reference Manager”* on 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr, 2016 at VESIT by Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli for MCA Final



Technology Day - Hon'ble Guests



Technology Day - Organizing Committee & Winners

### Certification Courses

- ◆ *“Knowledge Engineering with Semantic Web Technologies”* conducted by OPEN HPI from 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2015 to 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2016- Mrs. Geocey Shejy.
- ◆ *“Ethics responsibilities for Reviewers”, “Authorship and Responsibilities”, “How to Review A Manuscript”, “Plagiarism”, “Content ownership”, “Preparing Your Manuscript”, “Structuring Your Article”* by Elsevier from Jan 2016 to Mar 2016 - Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli.
- ◆ *“Big Data and Hadoop”* by Edureka on 17<sup>th</sup> Mar 2016 - Mrs. Sangeeta Oswal
- ◆ *“Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms”* by NPTEL from Jan 2016 to May 2016 - Mrs. Meenakshi Garg, Mrs. Vaishali Gatty.
- ◆ *“R Basics – R Programming Language Introduction”, “R ggplot and Simple Linear Regression”, “Research Methods for Business Students”* at Udemy from Apr 2016 to May 2016 - Mrs Meenakshi Garg.

### Faculty Development

- ◆ *“Big Data Analytics”* (ISTE Approved) 4<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2016 at VESIT.
- ◆ Seminar on *“Design For Emergent Users”* by Dr. Anirudh Joshi, IIT Bombay on 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 2016 at VESIT – Mr. Shiv Kumar Goel
- ◆ ISTE Approved FDP on *“Research Advances in Internet Of Things”* from 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Jun 2016 at RAIT – Mrs. Meenakshi Garg, Mrs. Shireesha Yeddu, Mrs. Vaishali Gatty
- ◆ Our faculty published/presented research papers in **5 international journals, 3 national and international conferences.**



## Extra Curricular

- ◆ MCA students not only actively participated in VCL, VPL, Indoor and Outdoor SPHURTI but also different sports at university level. They also won the trophy of Sphurti 2015-2016.
- ◆ Students from MCA first year won Tugg of War, Kabaddi and Basketball in outdoor SPHURTI.
- ◆ Achilles Almeida, Gokul Shah and Pawan Patil from MCA were in winning team of VPL 2016.
- ◆ Rahul R Prajapati was a member of winning team of VCL 2016.



VPL 2016 Team



VCL 2016 Winners



SPURTHI 2015-16 Winners

## ILLUSION 2016

- ◆ Lokesh Parihar from MCA - 1A won **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in **Drama**.
- ◆ Omkar Joshi and Sanket Samant won **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in **Music**.
- ◆ Achilles Almeida from MCA - 2B won **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in **Speech, Story Writing and Narration**.
- ◆ Minhajul Shaikh from MCA - 2B stood **1<sup>st</sup>** in **Dance Competition**.
- ◆ Preeti Ramesh and Rucha Shelke from MCA won **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in **Quiz**.
- ◆ Sabah Shaikh from MCA - 1B won **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in **Treasure Hunt**.
- ◆ Deepti Udyawar and Sanchita Patil from MCA 2<sup>nd</sup> year won **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in **Rangoli**.
- ◆ Varghese John from MCA 2<sup>nd</sup> year got **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** in **Treasure Hunt**.



Performance by Sanket Samant &amp; Omkar Joshi



Rangoli by Deepti &amp; Sanchita



Speech by Achilles Almeida





## UTSAV 2016

- ◆ **Group Dance** - T. Ceena Joseph, Achilleus Almeida, Daanish Khan, Raashid Khan, Sneha Velankar, Rucha Shelke and Minhajul Shaikh from MCA - 2B won **3<sup>rd</sup> prize**.



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MCA - 2B Dance Performance

- ◆ **Salad Dressing** - Tejashree Kuwalekar, Niveta Lavhate, Pooja Mulam and Yatin from MCA - 2B won **1<sup>st</sup> prize**.
- ◆ **Best Out Of Waste** - Bhaskar Talla, Bhagyesh Save, Shilpa Das from MCA - 1A won **3<sup>rd</sup> prize**.



- ◆ **Portrait** - Dhanashri Phatak from MCA - 1A won **3<sup>rd</sup> prize**.
- ◆ **Instrumental** - Sanket Samant from MCA - 2B won **1<sup>st</sup> prize**.



- ◆ **Rangoli** - Tejashree Kuwalekar and Sanchita Patil from MCA - 2B secured **3<sup>rd</sup> position**.
- ◆ **Dumises** - Tejashree Kuwalekar, Niveta Lavhate, Yatin and Pooja Mulam from MCA - 2B won **2<sup>nd</sup> prize**.
- ◆ **Mehendi** - Deepti Udyawaar and Heena Sayyed from MCA - 2A won **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> prize** respectively.
- ◆ **Antakshari** - Sunil Sahu, Sushmita Sharan, Mukesh Arethiya, Pawan Patil from MCA - 1B won **2<sup>nd</sup> prize**.
- ◆ **Business Quiz** - Satish Kevat, Jyoti Gupta, Deepak Gupta and Pratik Mahale from MCA - 2B won **2<sup>nd</sup> prize**.
- ◆ **Sports Quiz** - Satish Kevat, Jyoti Gupta, Deepak Gupta and Pratik Mahale from MCA - 2B won **2<sup>nd</sup> prize**.



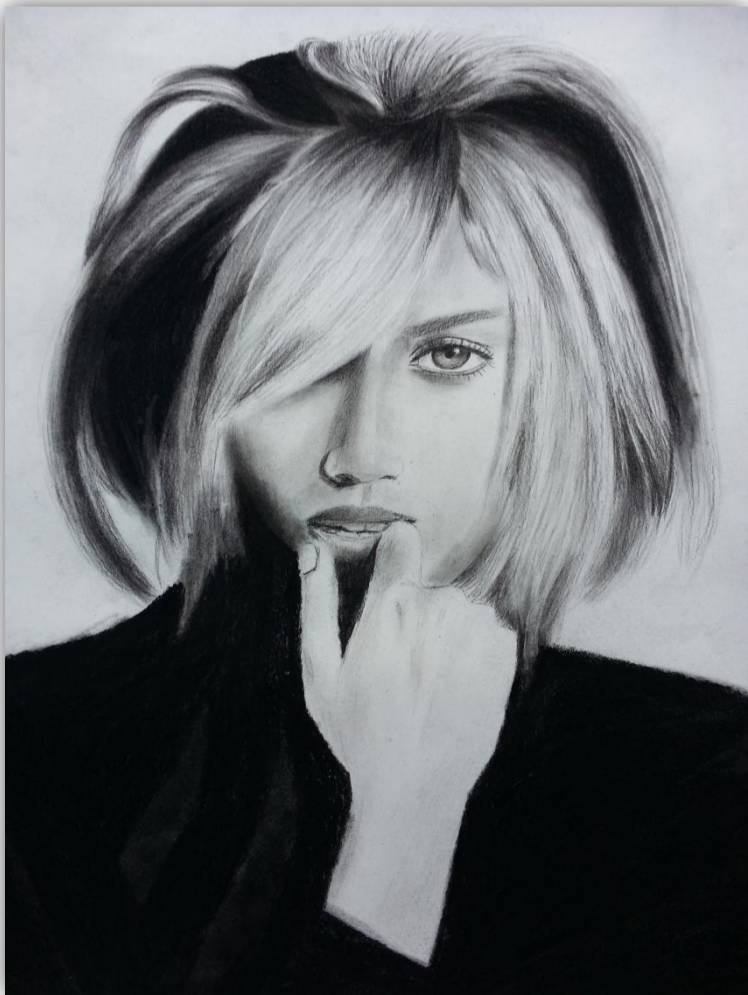
## Xpressions

## Middleclass Monsoon

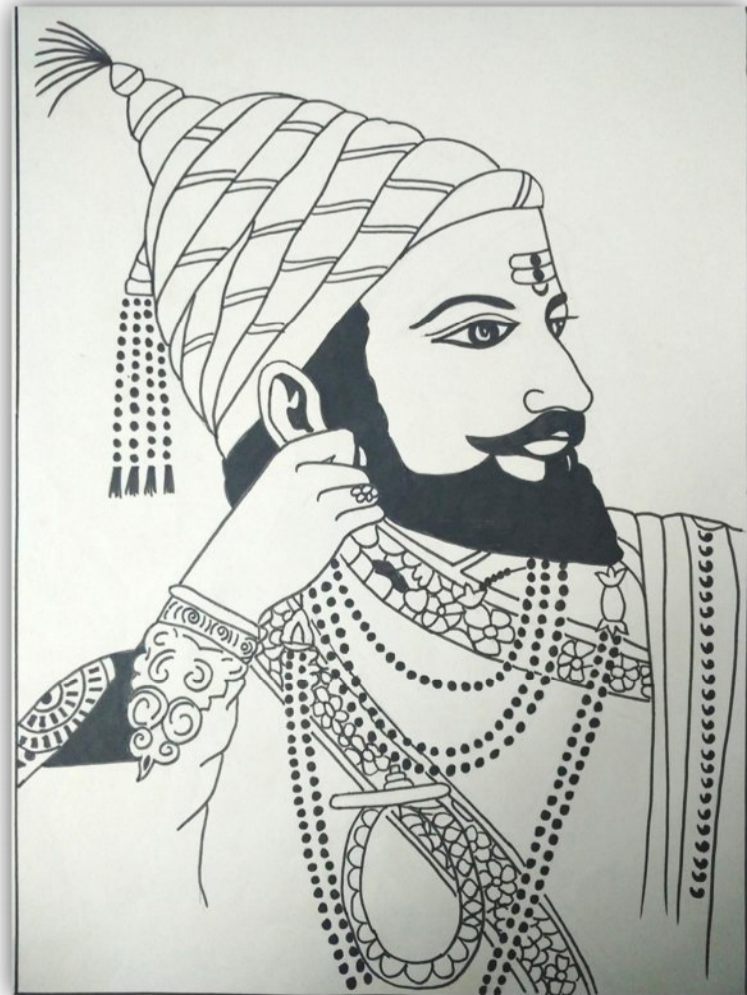
ঝাপসা শহর আলতো ধারায় আছড়ে পড়ছে উইন্ডস্ক্রীনে  
 হারানো ঠিকানা কাল্পনা পাঠায় জলছবিতে বৃষ্টিদিনে।  
 আরব সাগর, মারাঠা আকাশ, ঠিকানা এখন মেঘলা সজল  
 গীতবিতানের বর্ষার গান, গুলজার সাহাব, হারানো গজল।  
 সাগরতীরের ঝুপড়িগুলো মাপছে যখন জলের ধারা  
 অন্ধকারে ছাদের ফুটোয় চোখ রেখে রাত জাগছে কারা?  
 হঠাত স্তব্ধ ট্রাফিক জ্যামে ভিজছে কিছু শহরবাসী  
 বৃষ্টি ভিজছে আকাশচুম্বী, সর্বগ্রাসী সর্বনাশী।  
 আমরা যারা বসত গড়ি ইট সাজিয়ে আকাশ জুড়ে  
 আমরা বুঝি মেঘলা প্রেমও মাসের শেষে যাচ্ছে পুড়ে।  
 হঠাত হাওয়ায় উড়িয়ে দেওয়া পথচারীর ক্লান্ত ছাতা  
 পূর্ব দিকে হয়তো তখন বৃষ্টি খুঁজছে কোলকাতা।  
 বৃষ্টি দিয়েই খবর পাঠাই বন্ধুরা সব কেমন আছে?  
 আমি এখন ভালই আছি, উইন্ডস্ক্রিনের ঝাপসা কাঁচে...

*My eyes were straining  
 To see through the murk of the rainy evening;  
 Wipers on the windscreen make a noise  
 I can hardly remember the names and addresses  
 Of the ones I really cared for, once.  
 I sobbed in the mist and in a trance.  
 The clouds on the Arabian Sea  
 Send tears to me  
 Through the Maharashtrian sky,  
 I cannot help passing by  
 The songs of Tagore or the ghazals of Gulzhar  
 Like a ship leaving the harbor.  
 People in slums measure the depth of water on road,  
 Few stare at the holes in roof-board.  
 And the drenched men stuck in the traffic in midway  
 Try finding a passage to their homes after a hard day.  
 None of them has any effect or bargain  
 On the misty skyscrapers and the furious rain.  
 We laid bricks and girders  
 Far above the sea level to have our shelters,  
 And we witness death of love in oblivion  
 That we pay with EMIs and emotion.  
 My old friends in Kolkata are waiting for rain;  
 They no more wait for me, a light-year distance to maintain.  
 I am well-settled here and I am fine, just fine,  
 Though sobbing in my car opaqued by the smoked windscreen.*

By - Indira Bhattachariya



Portrait by Abhijeet More (MCA-2B)



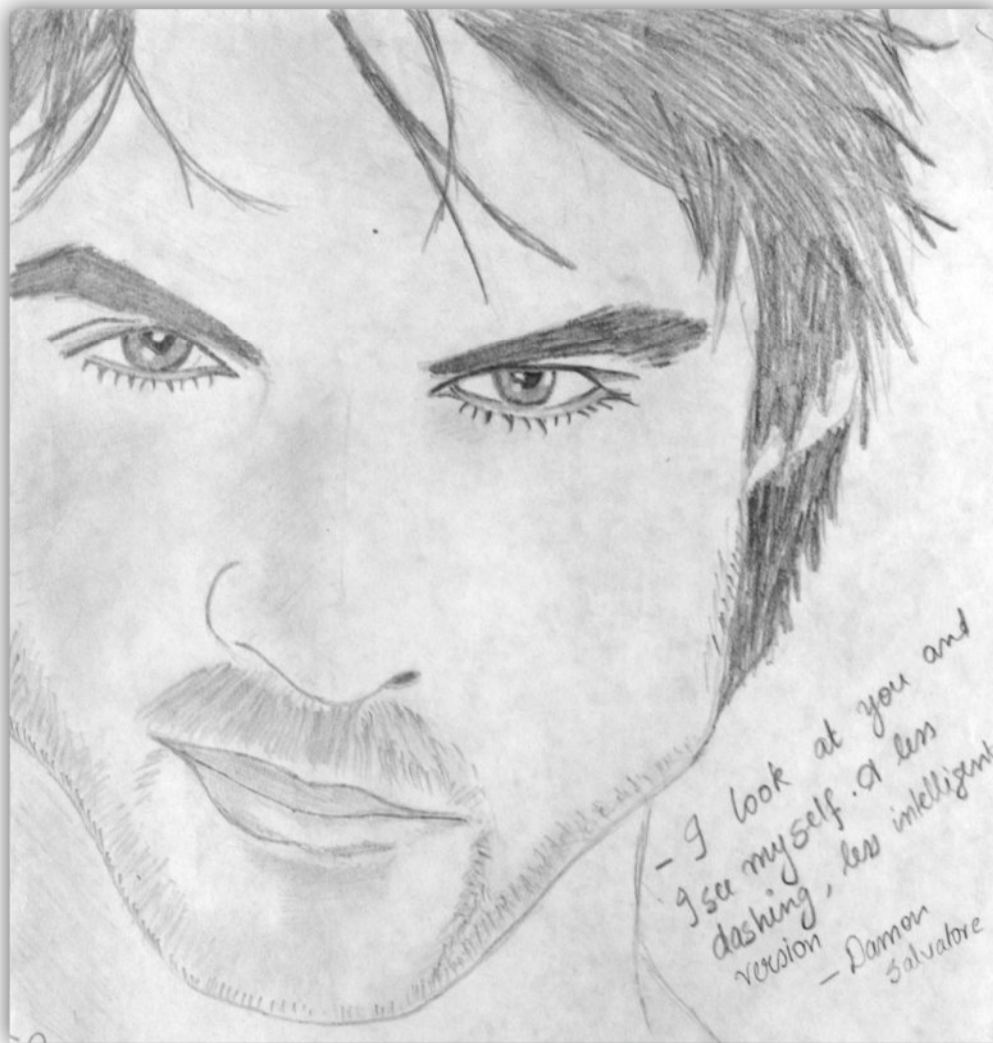
Portrait by Dhanashri Phatak (MCA-1A)



### Solace of Friends

*The sky so ominous dark,  
and life filled with a sorrowful mark,  
No miracle, No dazzle, I do not dare,  
that's why I'm out of repair.  
Even though the sun shines bright,  
who knows where I lost my might.  
For now I'm a hopeless case,  
beaten in the life's race.  
All around me shouted and hailed my name,  
so I could get up and run again.  
Cheers brought me back in the game,  
now I have become the one again.  
All my friends by my side,  
encourage me and be my guide.  
For loneliness was the only malice,  
but my friends gave me solace.  
Now my allies I say to you,  
I'll never give up, it's the truth.*

By - Max Rodrigues (MCA-2B)



Portrait by Neha Menon (MCA-1A)

### Good times & Bad times

*Why does the Good times end,  
They never last,  
Compared to Bad times,  
Which are in vast.  
In Good times all our friends are dear,  
But in Bad times only true ones are near.  
I love the Good times,  
Beautiful moments to share.  
What about the Bad times,  
I know nobody cares.  
Both these times show us,  
Who we are.  
Learn to live them,  
You can go very far*

By - Ravi Prabhu (MCA-1A)



Painting by Vineeth Pillai (MCA-1A)



## First Time Let's Google - "The China"

On 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015, mid night, I asked the Lord a wish. A wish to visit one of the wonders in the world in the year 2016. Surprisingly, on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016, I heard good news, that my husband got job placement in China. I realized that it is not a coincidence, but God listened to my wish and wanted to fulfil it. I started believing that I will visit Great Wall of China this year. It was already written in holy book of Bible that *"What things so ever ye desire, when ye pray believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them. MARK 11:24"*. On 21<sup>st</sup> of May 2016 my wish got manifested. A special thanks to God and to my husband. It was really wonderful experience to cross the borders and step into completely new place in the world, where you don't know anyone and no one knows you, neither the language nor people. And even no Google, so for the "first time Let's Google the China".

From 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 covered most of the popular tourist attractions in Shanghai including China Art Museum, River Mall, Shanghai Science and Technology Museum, The Bund, Shanghai tower, The Oriental Pearls tower, Bottle Opener and shopping at Nanjing Road. The Shanghai Metro system designed and constructed in such a way that connects to different lines easily. Almost In all metros the announcements were made in Chinese and English too. And to travel around the above attraction through metro, we used the Explore Shanghai App. Coming to food; we enjoyed eating varieties of street food including dumplings, fresh noodles, fruits and ice creams and many more. Everywhere, we went people were staring, smiling, some laughing and asking indo means Indians. And with closed lips, we replied, Hmmm, Hmmm.

On 26<sup>th</sup> May 7.30 am, we caught Bullet Train, Shanghai to Beijing from Shanghai Hongqiao station and reached Beijing in 4 hours. It was an amazing experience to travel in Bullet, we felt as if we were in flight. After refreshment, went to Beijing Zoo. The Special attractions of this Zoo were giant panda, northeast tigers, golden monkeys etc., and Aquarium too. At night, stayed in JE Mansion, a quiet, elegant and exquisite housing environment and also received wonderful Chinese hospitality. On 27<sup>th</sup> May early morning, hired taxi and went to see *Badaling* means **The Great Wall of China**. Finally the moment arrived to stand on the Great Wall of China and experienced great view. Undoubtedly, **The Great Wall of China** is the longest man-made structure with most astonishing endeavor of engineering. Further, taken lovely snaps with family and with some Chinese too for our remembrance. From Badaling, we went to **Ming Tombs**, world's famous cemetery because thirteen emperors buried in this place. After Ming Tombs, on the way went to one of the Cherry Garden and plucked fresh cherries, the cherries were so sweet and yummy. And then, set to **Forbidden City** also known as Palace Museum, one of the five world-famous palaces and formerly the residence of the emperor of China. Forbidden City signifies Chinese architecture, Symmetric layouts with Wooden structure and Color Painting. In the evening, we spent a pleasant time in **Jingshan Park** filled with lots of trees and flowers. The senior citizens were performing **ribbon dance** on Chinese cultural music, inspired many people to join with them including me and my son. I felt so soothing and mesmerizing while performing ribbon dance. Then from Beijing station we set back to shanghai.

And in last 4 days visited famous **Jade Buddha Temple, Yuyan Garden, Shanghai Wild Animal Park and Pearls tower and Shanghai Aquarium**. It was all real, vivid and joyous moment walking on **Glass-Floor skywalk on Oriental Pearls tower**. It was like walking on the clouds. I thanked my son, who taught me to overcome fear of heights by holding my hands. It was a marvelous experience in my life. Actually, the best time to see the Shanghai is at night time, that too from **Huangpu River Night Cruise**. In moon light, on cruise, the city and the river both were glittering with neon lights made us to experience the beauty and peace.

Finally, we returned to India with lots of beautiful and unforgettable memories. First time in life experienced living in different country, first time travelling in Bullet train, first time seeing live Giant Panda and Penguins, first time skywalk on glass-floor, first time really always best. Hmm, no words to express the happiness. The trip was splendid and magnificent. With this I wanted to offer a special thanks to the lord for blessing our family with poised, serenity, sobriety, relaxation and abundance for witnessing this wish manifestation. Thanks to GOD.

So let's make one more wish.....to Google one more wonder of the world.

By - Shireesha Yeddu



## Alumni Interaction

-Neha Menon (MCA-2A)



*“A little consideration, a little thought for others make all the difference.”*

- Winnie the Pooh

**Balakrishnan V**, an alumni who belongs to the VESIT MCA Batch of 2015, with a generally cheerful and helpful disposition, was what one can call the apple of the teachers' eye during his college days. He was the epitome of selfless classmate. During the final year of MCA he helped his classmates to conquer the fear of 'placements' by organizing aptitude tests and mock interviews which were helpful to scores of students in his batch. Here is an excerpt of an interaction with him:

### ⇒ Can you tell us something about your life at VESIT?

Life at VESIT helped me to grow as a person. It was filled with lots of great experiences in almost every aspect of life. It helped me to indulge in every opportunity that was presented by the college, be it Sports, Cultural Activities, Event Management, Projects or Studies.

### ⇒ Your teachers are full of praises for you. How did you manage to charm them so? Because to be frank the task looks daunting....

By being genuine to them, respecting them, trying to get their advice in case of any queries and trying to learn all the good thing from each one of them.

### ⇒ What made you take admission at VESIT? Apart from good marks and wanting to do MCA of course....

VESIT believes not only in Studies but also helps students grow through other aspect of life. It has a great Placement Committee, a wonderful Cultural Program, many initiatives to take up various Projects and Sphurti to showcase the sports talent in each one of the student. These thing helps a student to grow as a person and it gives more exposure to interact with other students in the college from different streams.

### ⇒ What are the things, or features if you will, of VESIT that you think are unique and one of its kind?

The Campus as whole is unique for me.

### ⇒ I am told that you took aptitude classes for your classmates. What was the main objective behind it?

As the placement process was about to start, I realized that most of them haven't taken up Aptitude seriously. So I wanted to help them out with aptitude chapters that I am aware of. In my point of view, it doesn't matter how good you are in studies and how good your percentage is. The first and foremost thing you should do is prepare for aptitude. Aptitude is the entry point. As the number of students increased, we formed a group assigning each group different chapters. After few companies came for placements, we realized one thing that many students fear facing the interviewer. We then started conducting Mock Interview sessions for the students with the help students who were already been placed. We also held a session where all of us, who were placed, spoke about their experience and how they cracked the interview.



⇒ **Should academics be the only focus of postgraduate students or is it a mere, most likely fatal, misconception?**

Academics are important but they should not be the only focus. In real and corporate world, you will realize that your confidence to handle difficult situation and ability to interact with people comes in handy a lot of time. This can only be achieved if you are open to all the challenges and by indulging in various aspect like Sports, Cultural and other activities, which help you to grow as an individual.

⇒ **Now for the questions students all over the world would like to know the answer for... well may be not all over the world but most.... Is what we learn at college applicable practically in the industry. Except for maybe programming related subjects.**

The thing we learn in college are just understand the basic of everything from studies perspective. You just get to learn the logic behind everything that you study. Learning apart from academics in college will always help you immensely in industry level.

⇒ **A random question out of the blue.... Where do you work at present? Did you get in through campus placements?**

I was placed through Campus Placement in **Nomura** as an Intern. Now I am working at **Nomura**.

⇒ **Now that the dreaded word of campus placement came into the conversation.... Any tips on how to face doomsday aka campus placements?**

Make a good Resume and express yourself. Do mock interview with friends before going for the interview. Try to gather information about the company which is coming for recruitment. Be confident during the interview and be yourself. Interviewer doesn't just look for studious people. They just see how eager you are to learn and adapt to situation.

⇒ **What are your future plans not including marriage and having kids?**

For now it's just growing and maturing in the project at Nomura.

⇒ **Any suggestions for your juniors at VESIT?**

Don't just go with academics and studies, try to participate in every possible event. It will improve your confidence and make you a better person and help you crack the interview.

# Congratulations!

*"A new baby is like the beginning of all things - wonder, hope, a dream of possibilities."*

- Eda J. Le Shan

**Our hearty congratulations to Mrs. Monali Rajput for the birth of 'Ved', her baby boy, and to Mrs. Ruchi Rautela for her baby boy 'Khush'.**

**May your new bundles of joy bring happiness into your life and fill a void in your heart.**

